







FWOOM



TENSE











METHEOS
...HAS APPEARED
ONCE AGAIN

PAADH









DARKSLUG'S
SIDEKICK, LAMIA,
IS NOT HERE

THERE'S NO
RUSH. MY BODY
STILL NEEDS
TIME

OF COURSE.
THEN WE'LL START
THE SEARCH FOR
THE 3RD NINE
STUFF.



THE
ANIMA STONE

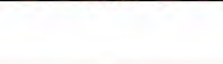


CLEAN UP.

YES.
METHEOS

FLAP





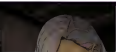


GRIN

SIDEKICKS 

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PHEW—
THANK GOD

MASTER,
WHAT DO YOU
THINK ABOUT
MEETING UP AGAIN
WITH LAMIA?



LAMIA... NIGHTMARE
HAS BEEN ONE OF THE
FEW HEROES THAT HAS
STAYED ALIVE FOR A LONG TIME

BEEN PROPERLY ACTIVE
EVEN AFTER THE
COMMITTEE COLLAPSED.

WE CAN'T
JUST HAVE
HER STUCK
WITH THIS
WORK

EVEN IF IT WOULD
BE FOR THE BEST,
I MUST FIX... WHAT
I HAD RUINED.

AND WE
HAVE DECIDED
TO USE THE
3RD NINE STUFF,
THE ANIMA STONE.

I CAN'T
LEAD HER INTO
THIS MESS.



THE THIRD
NINE STUFF, THE
"ANIMA STONE"



I HEARD THAT THE 1ST, 2ND,
AND 3RD NINE STUFF HAVE
EFFECTS THAT ARE AROUND
THE LEVEL OF PRANAS.

SO WHAT ON
EARTH ARE
THEY?



POW

Power











POP











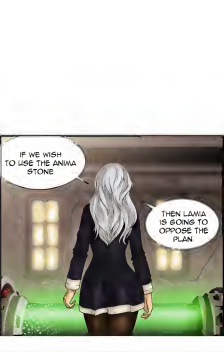




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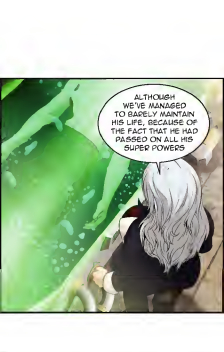






IF WE WISH
TO USE THE ANIMA
STONE

THEN LAWIA
IS GOING TO
OPPOSE THE
PLAN

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ALTHOUGH
WE'VE MANAGED
TO BARELY MAINTAIN
HIS LIFE, BECAUSE OF
THE FACT THAT HE HAD
PASSED ON ALL HIS
SUPER POWERS



HIS SELF
HEALING IS NOT
ACTIVE AT ALL. WE'VE
HAD A NUMBER OF
CRISES BECAUSE
OF THIS.



AND SO WE TRIED TO
SYNTHESIZE A GENE
WITH POWERFUL
REGENERATION, BUT



THE ANIMA STONE
ALLOWS FOR THE
BEHOLDER TO EXCHANGE
LIFE ENERGY FOR POWER.



THAT MEANS
THE BEHOLDER CAN
GAIN SUPERPOWERS FROM
BOTH SUPERBLICS AND
NORMAL PEOPLE.



IF THE VILLAINS
WERE TO EVER GET
THEIR HANDS ON IT,
IT WOULD BE A
CATASTROPHE FOR
HUMANITY.

THEIR STRONGEST
MOTIVE WOULD BE
THE MASSACRE OF
TENS OF MILLIONS, OR
HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS
OF PEOPLE.

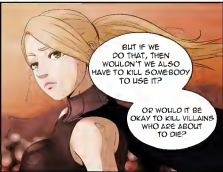


IF WE WERE
TO START
USING IT
FIRST...

THEN SUPER
POWERS COULD
BE REGAINED.



IF THAT'S
THE CASE, THEN
HE COULD REGAIN
HIS HEALING
ABILITIES.



BUT IF WE
DO THAT, THEN
WOULDN'T WE ALSO
HAVE TO KILL SOMEBODY
TO USE IT?

OR WOULD IT BE
OKAY TO KILL VILLAINS
WHO ARE ABOUT
TO DIE?

NO. BUT IT IS
KNOWN THAT TO USE
THE LIFE ENERGY OF
THOSE MORE POWERFUL



THAN THE BEHOLDER
NATURALLY
HAS A RESISTANCE
ORIGINALLY.



SO SUPERBLICS
AREN'T FIT FOR IT.
IF THAT'S THE CASE,
AMONG NORMAL
PEOPLE...





WITH NO SUPER
POWERS.



EVEN IF MY
LIFE TRANSITIONS TO
DEATH





THIS BASTARD...
I HAVE TO SAVE
HIM.

TO BE CONTINUED